

2011 Session Policy-Budget Joint Meetings: Major Issues
As of December 28, 2010

/
 DATE 1-5-2011
 HB Joint Appropriations Judicial

Standing Committee By Section (Class)	MAJOR ISSUES FOR STANDING COMMITTEES (NOT APPROPRIATIONS OR ON-CALL COMMITTEES)
A - Agriculture (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Genetically modified organisms (GMO) Bison management Misc.: Farmers' markets; Nurseries
A - Business & Labor (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workers' compensation Health insurance reform and implementation Mortgage Lending Act Professional/Occupational licensing statutes.
A - State Administration (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pensions State employee pay/benefits Elections/Campaign finance and practices
B - Human Services/Public Health & Human Services (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federal health care reform and related issues: Limit state's activities in relation to the federal law; Potential effects on workforce issues, particularly primary care workforce; Opportunities for public health grants to fund health promotion and disease prevention activities Medicaid: Changes to address rising costs; Reimbursement rates paid to Medicaid providers Medical marijuana: Regulation in general; Use/misuse; Caregivers; Potential revenue from taxes/fees
C - Natural Resources (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water quantity and quality Revisions to MEPA and permitting statutes Management of state lands
C - Transportation/ Highways and Transportation (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vehicle licensing, registration and titling Traffic safety: Distracted driving; Seatbelts; Speed limits; DUI Size, weight, and load for commercial vehicles
C - Fish, Wildlife, & Parks (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FWP land ownership/acquisition and management Wolf management Bison/buffalo management
C - Federal Relations, Energy, & Telecommunications. (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renewable resource standards and requirements Electric transmission development and regulation Energy conservation measures
D - Judiciary (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DUI Immigration Office of public defender, indigent defense
E - Education (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> K-12: Generally revise education funding; Cost savings; Home schooling; Teacher tenure; Health insurance Higher education: Revise student financial aid
F - Taxation (1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Property taxation: Reappraisal; Business equipment tax rate reduction/exemption Revenue estimates Misc.: Reduction/elimination of business and individual income tax credits; Health care tax benefits
F - Local Government (3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land use (subdivision, zoning, growth policies) County roads (authority, access) General operation (commissioners, boundaries, annexation, classification)

Bill Requests by Selected Subject areas

By Section	Number of Bill Requests By Subject Area
A - General Government	Agriculture - 22 Livestock - 26 Corporations - 19 Credit Transaction - 11 Financial Institutions - 24 Insurance - 86 Economic Development - 19 Elections - 5 Professions and Occupations - 54 Labor and Employment - 75 Retirement - 37 Workers Comp - 29
B - Human Services	Health - 22 Health Care services - 118 Social services - 56
C - Natural Resources and Transportation	Water - 81 Fish and Wildlife - 140 Environmental Protection - 87 Motor Vehicles - 76 Highways and Roads - 7 Transportation - 28 Energy - 87 State Lands - 28 Utilities - 36
D - Judiciary	Criminal procedure - 36 Civil procedure - 32 Corrections - 14 Courts - 33 Crimes - 60
E - Education	Schools and Education - 80 School Finance - 42 University System and Colleges - 22
F - Taxation and Local Government	Revenue - 114 Local Government - 92 Counties - 21 Planning and Development - 23 Taxation (all categories) - 224

Alcohol and Drugs - 62
Ballot Issues - 10
Constitutional Amendment Proposals - 17
Referendum - 5
Consumer Protection - 14
Federal Government - 49
Legislature - 40
Interim Studies - 13
Property - 38
Public Officers and Employees - 44
State Government - 79

Bills Stats as of December 29, 2010

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2009</u>
Bills Requested to Date:	1,872	1,958
Bills to Requesters:	121	127
Bills on Hold:	775	670
Bills Died in Process:	48	65
Introduced in Senate	107	173
Introduced in House:	163	180

Average Bill Assignments per Committee

Senate Standing Committees

Session	Class 1				
	Business & Labor	Finance & Claims	Judiciary	Taxation	
	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM	
2009	124	86	134	89	
2007	120	113	193	109	
2005	136	111	193	122	
2003	131	114	166	105	
Average	128	106	172	106	128
Session	Class 2				
	Local Govt.	Education & Cultural Resources	Pub. Health, Welfare & Safety	State Admin.	Natural Resources
	T,Th 3 PM	M,W, F 3 PM	M,W,F 3 PM	M,W,F 3P.M.	M,W,F 3 PM
2009	78	46	69	97	90
2007	Class 3 61	47	110	152	104
2005	Class 3 68	50	96	114	61
2003	Class 3 50	69	61	110	86
Average	64	53	84	118	85
Session	Class 3				
	Fish & Game	Highways & Transport.	Energy & Telecomm.	Agriculture, Livestock & Irrigation	
	T,Th 3 PM	T,Th 3 PM	T,Th 3 PM	M,W,F 3 PM	
2009	55	50	32	47	
2007	42	50		Class 2 17	
2005	52	68	34	Class 2 32	
2003	55	53	50	Class 2 41	
Average	51	55	39	34	45

House Standing Committees

Class 1						
		Appropriations	Business & Labor	Judiciary	State Admin.	Taxation
Session	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM	M-F 8 AM
2009	176	133	148	123	101	
2007	284	153	225	161	132	
2005	150	200	164	159	132	
2003	120	179	163	156	119	
Average	183	166	175	150	121	159
Class 2						
		Education	Federal Energy & Telecom.	Human Services	Natural Resources	Transportation
Session	M,W,F 3 PM	M,W 3 PM	M,W,F 3 PM	M,W,F 3 PM	M,W,F 3 PM	M,W,F 3 PM
2009	49	52	72	86	61	
2007	83	65	60	98	67	
2005	55	63	98	93	86	
2003	52	66	59	96	63	
Average	60	62	72	93	69	71
Class 3						
		Agriculture	Fish Wildlife & Parks	Local Govt.		
Session	T,Th 3 PM	T,Th 3 PM	T,Th 3 PM			
2009	39	65	73			
2007	30	52	43			
2005	43	73	69			
2003	44	60	73			
Average	39	63	65	55		